A.—Sri R. M. PATIL (Minister for Development, Panchayat Raj and Co-operation).—

(*a*) No.
(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) Do not arise in view of reply at clause (*a*) above.

Pay Scales of Co-operative Extension Officers.

**Q.*—571. Sri P. VENKATAGIRIYAPPA (Kolar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they have promised to raise the pay scales of Co-operative Extension Officers to the Level of Industrial Extension Officers;

(*b*) whether any decision has been taken in the matter;

(*c*) if so, the details of the decision taken?

A.—Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Minister for Co-operation and Housing) —

(*a*) There is a proposal before Government to raise the pay scales of Co-operative Extension Officers to the level of Industrial Extension Officers.

(*b*) No.
(*c*) Does not arise in view of reply at (*b*) above.

2-00 P.M.

Release of the Members of the M.E.S. Parties

Announcement

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have to inform the House that I have received a communication from the Commissioner of Police dated 2nd April 1966. It was received yesterday, in the afternoon at 2 P. M. It is to the effect that members of the legislature arrested on 1st April 1966 under Section 151 of the Criminal Procedure Code, all the five members referred to therein, were released by the Police, this day *i.e.*, on 2nd April 1966 at 6 A.M. In the light of this, the letter addressed by Sri S. M. Krishna drawing the attention of the House to the other fact which I stated on the other day, becomes practically infructuous. The arrest is over and therefore there is no other motion before me. I pass on to the next item.

Sri B. P. KADAM (Karwar).—Sir, I have just carefully noted.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Hon'ble Member can meet me at 3 O'clock. I do not know what prevented the Hon'ble Member from meeting me earlier. I would have willingly heard him before 1 P. M. I must first understand what he wants to say. The hon'ble member knows the rules